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# MEMORANDUM

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and Members, Economic Development &

Human Services Committee

DATE:

March 14, 2007

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Agenda Item No. 5(A)

FROM: Kay M. Syllivan

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SUBJECT:

Approval of Commission

Committee Minutes

The Clerk of the Board's office is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Economic Development and Human Services Committee:

Community Empowerment & Economic Revitalization Committee

November 1, 2006 January 16, 2007

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# MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES Community Empowerment and Economic Revitalization Committee (CEERC)

# **Board of County Commissioners**

Stephen P. Clark Center Commission Chambers 111 N.W. First Street Miami, Florida 33128

November 1, 2006
As Advertised

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# **CLERK'S SUMMARY OF**

Stephen P. Clark Government Center 111 N.W. 1st Street Miami, FL 33128

# **Meeting Minutes**

# Community Empowerment & Econ. Revitalization Cmte.

Dorrin D. Rolle (2) Chair; Barbara J. Jordan (1) Vice Chair; Commissioners Bruno A. Barreiro (5), Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12), Katy Sorenson (8), and Javier D. Souto (10)

# CARRY OVER TAXICAB INDUSTRY WORKSHOP

Wednesday, November 1, 2006

9:30 AM

**COMMISSION CHAMBERS** 

Members Present: Dorrin D. Rolle.

Members Absent: Bruno A. Barreiro, Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Barbara J. Jordan, Katy

Sorenson, Sen. Javier D. Souto.

Members Late:

None.

Members Excused: None.

#### 1 **MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

Report:

Jovel Shaw, Commission Reporter, (305) 375-1289

**1A** INVOCATION

#### **1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### 1C **ROLL CALL**

Report:

The following staff members were present: Assistant County Manager Roger Carlton, Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber, Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Miami-Dade County Consumer Services Department (CSD); and

Deputy Clerk Jovel Shaw.

# INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

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062731 Report

HONORABLE DORRIN D. ROLLE, COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Presented

Report:

Chairman Rolle called the workshop to order at 9:36 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the continuation of the taxicab industry workshop.

The Committee convened in a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Assistant County Attorney Libhaber noted there were no changes to today's agenda.

# 063126 Report

DISCUSSION RE: RECAP OF TAXICAB REGULATIONS, SUN PASS PROGRAMS AND TAXICAB STUDY

Report Received

## Report:

Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Consumer Services
Department (CSD) noted today's workshop was
part two of the taxicab industry workshop. She
noted at the first workshop addressed the use of
the Sun Pass and the Taxicab Ridership Study. Ms.
Peel stated that the Taxicab Study was ongoing.
She noted a meeting was held on October 12,
2006, to review a current draft of the Study and
another meeting will occur on November 15th, to
continue the discussion of the Study.

#### SUN PASS PROGRAM

Ms. Peel noted staff met with Miami-Dade County Expressway Authority (MDX) to review some of the concerns raised at the October 3rd, workshop. She noted some of those concerns were as follows: (1) being able to replenish their accounts, (2) the account did not adequately reflect payments, and (3) the toll charges to the drivers. Ms. Peel noted a representative present at today's workshop, Mr. Steve Andriuk, Director, Toll Operations, MDX.

Chairman Rolle noted that the taxicab drivers issues with the Sun Pass issues was they could not ascertain their account balance, and the older transponder devices compared to the new transponder served them better. He concluded by stating that the major issue was the account balance for account holders.

Mr. Steve Andriuk, Director, Toll Operations, MDX, 3790 NW 21 Street, appeared before the Committee, and noted he met with Ms. Peel to review the issues raised at the last Taxicab Industry Workshop. He noted consideration has been given to having an internet kiosk at Miami International Airport (MIA); therefore, the taxicab drivers could access their Sun Pass accounts. Mr. Andriuk pointed out the second issue addressed was the older transponders and a swap from the newer to the older (initial) transponders. He indicated that approximately 400 of the initial transponders were in the possession of MDX and if there were any individuals who would like to switch his or her transponders an opportunity would be offered to them.

Chairman Rolle opened the floor for public

participation on the Sun Pass Program.

The following persons appeared before the Committee in connection with the Sun Pass Program:

Mr. Pierre Cedic, 2001 NW 32 Street, representing the New Vision Taxi Drivers' Association, expressed his concern with the County's imposition of the Sun Pass requirement, which should be an option for taxicab drivers.

Ms. Peel noted that the foregoing requirement was a part of the resolution (R-1089-05) adopted by the Board that increased the taxi meter rate and authorized the CSD to establish a date by which all taxicab chauffeurs shall be required to obtain and use a Sun Pass.

Mr. Raymond Francois, 11970 NE 6 Avenue, representing the New Vision Taxi Drivers' Association, and discussed the County's Sun Pass requirement and citations issued due to noncompliance to the requirement. Mr. Francois submitted for the record an email sent to Florida Governor Jeb Bush regarding the imposition to obtain and use a Sun Pass by an institution or governmental entity.

Following Mr. Francois' comments, Assistant County Manager Carlton stated there were elements of the MDX and elements of how Sun Pass works under private companies.

Chairman Rolle asked the County Attorney to review the raised by Mr. François regarding whether there were legal implications for a governmental entity to impose the use of Sun Pass.

Mr. Anacreon Simon, 700 North Miami Avenue, support the usage of the initial Sun Pass transponder devices compared to the latest version of the transponder devices.

Chairman Rolle asked that a discussion need to occur on how to access and swap the newer transponder devices for the older devices. He asked that Ms. Peel develop a procedure to facilitate the swapping of the transponder devices.

Mr. Andriuk agreed with Chairman Rolle in that the process should be facilitated through the CSD and he would provide Ms. Peel with the exact number of transponders that were available. He suggested that the transponders be earmarked specifically for the taxicab drivers who provide services for the airport.

Responding to Chairman Rolle's comments regarding if the initial transponders were antiquated, Mr. Andriuk stated that it would be an attrition type of turnover. He pointed out that the MDX was considering a new process which consisted of a sticker tag and that would begin sometime next year. Mr. Andriuk stated both methods would be accepted and would remain available in the years to come. He further stated as time progress new technological changes other solutions/methods may be implemented.

Mr. Francois discussed the requirement to register an auto tag for the Sun Pass Program.

Mr. Andriuk stated that the individual Sun Pass account must have a register vehicle with a license plate. He clarified that commercial accounts do not require this information due to the number of vehicles or trailers that are used daily. Mr. Andriuk asked the taxicab association to contact him if there was a problem or concern and he would work with the taxi industry to address their concern.

Chairman Rolle asked that Mr. Andriuk meet with Mr. François to discuss his concern with the auto tag registration requirement.

Mr. Simeon Harrison, a member of the CSD's Taxicab Advisory Group and the New Vision Taxi Drivers' Association, and discussed his objection to the Sun Pass Program and the industry not be offered the opportunity to provide input on the County's requirement for taxi chauffeurs to obtain and use a Sun Pass device.

Assistant County Attorney Libhaber in response to the letter submitted by Mr. Francois stated the difference was that the taxi cab industry was a regulated industry. He concurred with the notation that a private citizen could not be compelled to purchase a Sun Pass. Mr. Libhaber noted this regulated industry had a number of requirements for issued taxicab license to conduct business. He pointed out the convenience of using the Sun Pass for passengers. Therefore, it was in the purview of the County Commission to require a well regulated industry that should be complied by those in the taxicab industry.

Mr. Robert Fuente, 927 NE 109 Street, a taxicab

driver, informed the Committee that those taxicab drivers who use Key Biscayne Rickenbacker Causeway and Venetian Causeway do not need the Sun Pass; therefore, those taxicab drivers should not be required to obtain the Sun Pass.

Mr. Jameson Shell, 760 NE 128 Street, and discussed the concern with obtaining the accurate account balance for the Sun Pass.

Mr. François reappeared and noted that the Association was misled in terms of the Sun Pass requirement for the taxicab drivers to purchase the Sun Pass.

Responding to Mr. Shell's concern, Mr. Andriuk noted that he was unaware of any problem and would investigate the complaint raised by Mr. Shell.

Mr. Angelica Cruz, discussed the legality of regulating the taxicab industry, and if parameters existed for these regulations.

Chairman Rolle asked Ms. Peel to respond on how the department enforces new regulations for the industry.

Ms. Peel explained prior to this regulation being adopted by the Board, there were a number of specific workshops held to discuss the Sun Pass requirement, and the proposals pertaining to the taximeter rates was discussed during this workshop. Subsequently, a public hearing was scheduled and held, and following the public hearing March 1, 2006, was the established effective date for taxicab chauffeurs to obtain and use a Sun Pass device. She noted the industry was informed of this requirement through several notices along with the distribution of flyers. Ms. Peel pointed out that CSD and the MDX are currently monitoring the Sun Pass tolls to observe the taxicab drivers and no citations have been issued for those not using the Sun Pass lanes.

Mr. Harrison reappeared and noted his attendance at the meetings mentioned by Ms. Peel. He stated that several issues were discussed at these meetings which included the Sun Pass, the taximeters that provided services such as automatic printed receipts, and credit card capability. Mr. Harrison indicated that all parties have agreed with the 13% increase to the taximeter rates.

Chairman Rolle noted minutes would be provided to Mr. Harrison from those meetings noted by Ms. Peel.

Ms. Cruz asked when and where the CSD's Taxicab Advisory Group meetings were held along with the workshops and the other public forums. She expressed a concern with the notification process to the taxicab industry.

Mr. François requested proof of public notification of the public hearings to discuss the Sun Pass requirement.

Chairman Rolle summarized the concerns as follows:

- (1) the ability to know the account balances for the Sun Pass devices and the MDX Toll Operations representative who informed the Committee of the approximate availability of 400 of the initial Sun Pass Program transponders; and the establishment of a process of swapping the latest transponder to the initial ones to be coordinated through the CSD,
- (2) the legality of the County to impose the taxicab chauffeurs to obtain and use a Sun Pass device, and being informed by the County Attorney that the taxi industry was highly regulated industry for the convenience of the customer,
- (3) the imposition of the Sun Pass for all taxicab chauffeurs, and
- (4) the need for a public forum for the dissemination of information regarding the Sun Pass requirement.

Chairman Rolle asked Mr. Andriuk to meet with the taxicab driver regarding his concern for receiving a toll violation at S.R. 112 West/East Toll.

#### TAXICAB RIDERSHIP STUDY

Ms. Peel provided an overview of the Taxicab Study that addressed certain factors such as the distribution of taxicab trips between visitors and residents, geographical distribution of taxicabs in the County, the impact of additional taxicabs on existing for-hire chauffeurs and license holders, the utilization of wheelchair accessible taxicabs and other related items. She noted the goal was to assist the County in determining the number for-hire taxicab licenses to move forward with. Ms. Peel noted there were two phases the collection of the data and the short/long term

recommendations. She stated staff was working closely with the taxi industry and anticipated having recommendations by December 2006 to the full County Commission.

Chairman Rolle opened the floor to public participation for the Taxicab Study and the following persons appeared before the Committee:

Mr. Raymond Francois, representing New Vision Taxi Drivers' Association, and noted the written comments in the study were not accurate and the study as presented would not resolve the issue with the taxi industry. He informed the Committee of some experiences in Miami Beach and at the seaport. Mr. Francois noted the study did not address taxicab stands.

Chairman Rolle asked Mr. Francois to provide him with the concerns of the New Vision Taxi Drivers' Association in writing which the Association felt were not addressed in the Taxicab Study.

Mr. Robert Fuente, a taxicab driver, spoke in opposition to the foregoing Taxicab Study

Ms. Peel noted that the CSD's Taxicab Advisory Group has scheduled an open forum for 2:00 p.m. on November 15th, at 140 West Flagler Street, Room 908, to discuss the Taxicab Study with Dr. Ray Mundy, Director, Tennessee Transportation and Logistics Foundation who conducted the study.

Chairman Rolle suggested to those who were present at today's workshop who opposed the study provide their concerns in writing and be prepared to present those concerns at the CSD's Taxicab Advisory Group meeting.

Mr. Esau Mardy, 14911 NE 9 Court, Super Yellow taxicab driver, and informed the Committee of how he was informed of the public forum which was via radio dispatch. He expressed a concern with the usage of credit cards by taxicabs.

Ms. Flora Angelica Cruz stated the study does not reflect the reality of the taxicab drivers in Miami. She expressed a concern with the CSD's TAG membership and asked if the membership could be changed.

Mr. Robert Han, 8382 SW 148 Avenue, a taxicab driver, South Dade Taxi, and informed the Committee there was no business being generated in the South Dade area. He expressed that the study was not a true reflection of the taxi industry in Miami-Dade County.

Chairman Rolle stated that the discussion would be limited on the Taxicab Ridership Study because a public forum was scheduled on November 15, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., 140 West Flagler, Room 908.

Mr. Anacreon Simon, a taxi driver, 7010 North Miami Avenue, discussed the regulations for the taxicab industry and the industry compliance with the County's regulations.

Mr. Raymond Francois, representing New Visions Taxicab Drivers' Association, expressed that a conflict of interest existed with the current TAG membership. He asked the County to provide an outline of the taxes paid by taxicab drivers to the County, State, and the Federal government who participate as a part of County's process.

Mr. Jerry Moskowitz, representing Moskocab, 2284 NW 36 Street, informed the Committee that three members of the New Vision Taxicab Drivers' Association served on the CSD TAG.

Mr. Terry Isenberg, representing Yellow Cab, informed the Committee that the TAG supported the recommendation to hire Dr. Mundy to conduct a study in order to determine if there should be an increase in the issuance of taxi permits and medallions.

Ms. Cruz asked the CSD Director to postpone the November 15th, CSD TAG meeting until the TAG membership was changed.

Chairman Rolle provided an overview of the primary concerns raised by speakers and asked that the Consumer Services Department Director to review those concerns pertaining to the study as follows: (1) the composition of the CSD TAG, (2) the lack of input from the industry, (3) the hotels and other entities having other means of transportation for its guests such as buses which effects the taxicab industry, and (4) the current taxicab rates were not affordable for the general public. In addition, he noted that he would meet with the Department Director and Assistant County Manager Carlton to address these concerns.

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# 2 PRESENTATIONS

2D

062804 Report

TAXI MEDALLION LOTTERY

Report Received

Report:

Ms. Cathy Peel, Department Director, Consumer Services Department, provided an overview of the historical background on the taxi medallion lottery which began in 1999. She noted the issuance of 256 taxi medallions through the lottery. Ms. Peel informed the Committee that the lottery winners paid the County based upon the category for which they have won from \$5,000 to \$25,000 for the medallions. She pointed out the winners received private financing to pay for the medallion. Ms. Peel noted one of the reason the County used the medallion lottery was to allow taxicab drivers access to have collateral in order to borrow against financing. She further noted medallions are considered intangible property and since 2005 of the Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) has made available low-interest financing opportunities for medallion lottery winners.

Mr. Rickert Glasgow, OCED, informed the Committee that OCED has allocated approximately \$150,000 this year to finance the purchase of medallions.

Mr. Lenny Kravitz, 2821 NE 185 Street, appeared before the Committee, to discuss the requirements to participate in the taxi medallion lottery. He requested consideration be given by staff to change or provide discount on the number citations a taxicab driver may receive along with consideration of other factors to determine who should participate in the lottery. Mr. Kravitz stated the lottery should be used as a reward or an incentive for taxicab driver. He concluded by asking that the requirement to be a five year driver be changed to two years.

Following Mr. Kravitz' comments, Ms. Peel provided an overview of the current qualifications requirement in order to be eligible for the lottery. She noted the basic requirement was for a five-year driver with continuous driving experience to enter the lottery. Ms. Peel noted there were various categories for taxicab drivers such as a 20-year, 25-year and a category for veteran drivers along with other perquisites for each category. She noted one of the perquisites was that driver have no more than five County Code

citations/violations within the last five years.

Mr. Alfredo Miller, 3260 SW 66 Way, appeared before the Committee, to discuss the application fee to apply for the taxi medallion lottery which was \$270 that included an application fee and a background check

Mr. Gene Amour (phonetic) appeared before the Committee, to discuss his participation in the taxi medallion lottery process.

Mr. Dean Shiloh, 1874 NE 170 Street, appeared before the Committee, to discuss his experience with the taxi medallion lottery. He expressed in opposition to the number of categories for the lottery. Mr. Shiloh asked for Chairman Rolle's support in addressing this issue of changing the number of categories.

Ms. Angelica Cruz appeared and discussed her experience and practices of the hearings the cases involving the citations received by taxi drivers. She asked for an investigation of the hearing process for the citations.

Mr. Esau Mardy, 14911 NE 9 Court, expressed his concern with the hearing process which always ruled against the taxicab driver.

Responding to the comments made by the speakers regarding the court hearing process, Ms. Peel provided a brief overview of the code enforcement violations contained in Miami-Dade County Code Chapter 8CC. She noted a hearing could be requested through the Clerk of the Courts, Code Enforcement Division who have administrative hearing officers who hear the cases.

An unidentified speaker appeared before the Committee and informed the Committee that he would be disqualified from the taxi medallion lottery. He discussed his experience with receiving citations at Miami International Airport and the time frame to not receive citations in order to participate in the lottery.

Mr. Raymond Francois, representing New Vision Taxi Drivers' Association, informed the Committee of letters sent to taxicab drivers and then being notified that they have been disqualified. He expressed a concern with the purpose of the taxi medallion lottery.

Mr. François requested a list of lenders who provide financing assistance to taxicab drivers.

Ms. Peel noted that after the lottery a mandatory workshop was conducted with the winners which included information for lending opportunities and options.

Mr. Robert Fuente appeared before the Committee and asked the County Administration to guarantee the low-interest financing/loan for taxicab drivers.

Mr. Terry Isenberg representing Yellow Cab, stated the benefits of the lottery need to be reviewed to determine who benefited from the taxi medallion lottery.

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# 062730 Report

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31-82(Q)(5) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO VEHICLES FOR-HIRE; REDUCING THE TIME PERIOD WITHIN WHICH NEW TAXICAB LICENSES MAY BE TRANSFERRED BY TWENTY AND TWENTY-FIVE YEAR DRIVERS WHO ARE AT LEAST 62 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (PROPOSED ORDINANCE SPONSORED BY SENATOR JAVIER D. SOUTO, LEGISLATIVE FILE # 061796)

Report Received

## Report:

Assistant County Attorney Bruce Libhaber read the foregoing report into the record.

Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Consumer Services Department, presented and provided an overview of the foregoing proposed ordinance sponsored by Commissioner Souto. She noted this proposal addressed the reduction of the time period for 20 and 25 year drivers who are at least 62 years of age at the time of issuance could transfer their taxicab licenses.

Mr. Jerry Moskowich, Moskocab, appeared before the Committee in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance.

During consideration of this item, Ms. Angelica Cruz, appeared before the Committee, and asked for the scheduling of another forum to discuss taxicab leases and other concerns by the taxi industry.

Ms. Rosa Gonzalez, on behalf of Transportation Sunshine, appeared before the Committee, in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Mr. Robert Fuente appeared before the Committee and recommended a proposed change to the ordinance regarding the age of the Taxi Medallion Lottery winner.

Mr. Pierre Francois, 16043 NE 2 Avenue, appeared before the Committee and expressed his concerns with Section 31-82 of the Miami-Dade County Code. He asked the County Administration to consider making proposed changes to this section of the Code.

Chairman Rolle concluded today's workshop by

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thanking everyone for their participation. He announced that due to time constraints, the remaining items on today's agenda would be carried over to a date to be determined by the Miami-Dade County Consumer Services Director, Assistant County Manager Roger Carlton, and the County Attorney's Office in consultation with him. He reminded everyone of the meeting scheduled for November 15, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., 140 West Flagler Street, to discuss the Taxicab Ridership Study. Chairman Rolle noted the Consumer Services Director and Assistant County Manager Carlton would address the concerns raised by the taxi industry at that meeting.

2F

062805 Report

CHAUFFEUR TRAINING PROGRAM FEES AND FREQUENCY

Carried over

Report:

Chairman Rolle announced that the foregoing report would be carried over to a date to be determined by the Miami-Dade County Consumer Services Director, Assistant County Manager Roger Carlton, and the County Attorney's Office in consultation with him.

2G

062806 Report

**TAXICAB LEASES** 

Carried over

Report:

Chairman Rolle announced that the foregoing report would be carried over to a date to be determined by the Miami-Dade County Consumer Services Director, Assistant County Manager Roger Carlton, and the County Attorney's Office in consultation with him.

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062807 Report

TAXICAB INSPECTIONS/PERMIT HOLDERS OBLIGATIONS

Carried over

Report:

Chairman Rolle announced that the foregoing report would be carried over to a date to be determined by the Miami-Dade County Consumer Services Director, Assistant County Manager Roger Carlton, and the County Attorney's Office in consultation with him.

consultation with him.

# 3 OPEN DISCUSSION

Report:

Ms. Heather Glassman, appeared before the Committee, and discussed her experience with not being able to renew her County's chauffeur license pursuant to Section 31-303(e) (6), of the Miami-Dade County Code. She noted, even though, currently possessed a Miami-Dade and Broward permits/chauffeur license she may never be able to obtain a Miami-Dade County's chauffeur license. Ms. Glassman asked the County Administration to review this section of the Code and the possibility of making proposed changes to this section.

Following the comments made by Ms. Glassman, Chairman Rolle asked the County Administration to meet with Ms. Glassman's to address her concern.

# 4 ADJOURNMENT

Report:

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the workshop adjourned at 12:17 p.m.



# MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES Community Empowerment and Economic Revitalization Committee (CEERC)

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# **CLERK'S SUMMARY OF**

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# **Meeting Minutes**

# Community Empowerment & Econ. Revitalization Cmte.

Dorrin D. Rolle (2) Chair; Barbara J. Jordan (1) Vice Chair; Commissioners Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12), Joe A. Martinez (11), Katy Sorenson (8), and Javier D. Souto (10)

Tuesday, January 16, 2007

2:00 PM

**COMMISSION CHAMBERS** 

Members Present: Barbara J. Jordan, Joe A. Martinez, Dorrin D. Rolle, Katy Sorenson,

Sen. Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: Jose "Pepe" Diaz.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

043331 Report

> NOTE: THE PORTION OF EACH RESOLUTION REFLECTING COMMISSIONERS' VOTES WILL BE UPDATED FOR THE NEXT COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING.

1 **MINUTES PREPARED BY:** 

Report:

Jovel Shaw, Commission Reporter, (305) 375-1289

**1A** INVOCATION

**1B** PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

# 1C ROLL CALL

#### Report:

The following staff members were present: County Manager Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry, Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty; and Deputy Clerks Diane Collins and Jovel Shaw.

Chairman Rolle called the meeting to order at 2:20 p.m.

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty informed the Committee of the requested changes in the County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested Changes to the Community Empowerment and Economic Revitalization Committee Agenda"

Hearing no objection, it was moved by Commissioner Martinez that the Committee approve the changes to today's agenda. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Souto, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 4-0. (Commissioners Diaz and Sorenson were absent)

Chairman Rolle announced, for the record, that Commissioner Martinez was sitting in for Commission Chairman Bruno Barreiro as a substitute member of the Community Empowerment and Economic Revitalization Committee.

# 2 COUNTY COMMISSION

#### 2A

# 070007 R

#### Resolution

# Barbara J. Jordan

Amended

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE UNDER THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTS WHOSE SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME PAYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE IN PENDING STATUS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE

Report:

See Agenda Item 2A Amended, Legislative File

No. 070153 for the amended version.

#### 2A AMENDED

# 070153

## Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE UNDER THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTS WHOSE SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME PAYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE IN PENDING STATUS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070007]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Martinez

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Sorenson, Diaz

#### Report:

Resolution

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Commissioner Jordan explained the intent of the foregoing proposed resolution. She asked Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry to put on the record whether 120 days, as opposed to 90 days, would be sufficient time for the County Manager to provide a written report to the County Commission.

Ms. Curry noted 90 days was satisfactory for the submittal of the written report. She stated the Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance Taskforce (CAHSA) would sunset in April 2007 with the submittal of a report in February 2007. She informed the Committee that the County Manager would present a report outlining the CAHSA recommendations, along with his recommendations.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Later in the meeting, after consulting with Miami-Dade Housing Agency Director Kris Warren, Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry advised the Committee that the County Manager concurred with Commissioner Jordan's request that the time be extended to allow for an additional 30 days for the submittal of the written report to the Board.

Commissioner Jordan asked that Agenda Items 2C, 2D, 2F and 2G also be amended to allow an additional 30 days for the submittal of the written report to the Board.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to extend the required time to 120 days in lieu of 90 days for the County Manager to submit his written report to the Board of County Commissioners, as recommended by Commissioner Jordan.

2B

## 070008 Resolution

#### Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO EXPAND THE USE OF STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS OPTIONAL STATE SUPPLEMENTATION (OSS) ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PAYMENTS TO RESIDENTS LIVING IN COMMUNITY BASED HOUSING IN ADDITION TO THE CURRENT INSTITUTIONAL RESIDENCES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Martinez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Chairman Rolle asked if Committee members had any concerns with the foregoing proposed resolution and with Agenda Items 2C, 2D, 2E, 2F, 2G and 2H.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

2C

## 070011 Resolution

#### Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER
TO EXPLORE THE VIABILITY OF CREATING A
DEDICATED FUNDING SOURCE TO SUPPORT AN
EMPLOYER ASSISTED HOUSING PROGRAM THAT
PROVIDES INCENTIVES TO EMPLOYERS OR DIRECT
ASSISTANCE TO EMPLOYEES AS RECOMMENDED BY
THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING
STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASK FORCE

Amended

Report:

See Agenda Item 2C Amended, Legislative File

No. 070152 for the amended version.

#### 2C AMENDED

#### 070152

## Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXPLORE THE VIABILITY OF CREATING A DEDICATED FUNDING SOURCE TO SUPPORT AN EMPLOYER ASSISTED HOUSING PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES INCENTIVES TO EMPLOYERS OR DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO EMPLOYEES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASK FORCE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070011]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Jordan Seconder: Martinez

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Resolution

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Responding to Commissioner Souto's comments regarding no identification of a dedicated funding support, Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry explained the intent of the foregoing proposed resolution which directs the County Manager to explore the viability of creating a dedicated funding source.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to extend the required time to 120 days in lieu of 90 days for the County Manager to submit his written report to the Board of County Commissioners, as recommended by Commissioner Jordan during the discussion of Agenda Item 2A Amended.

(See Agenda Item 2A Amended, Legislative File No. 070153)

2D

# 070014 Resolution

#### Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HOMELESS TRUST TO DEVELOP AND RECOMMEND MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING DISCHARGE POLICIES FOR AGENCIES IN MIAMIDADE COUNTY WHO PROVIDE SERVICES TO OR FOR PERSONS AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASKFORCE

Amended

Report: See Agenda Item 2D Amended, Legislative File

No. 070155 for the amended version.

#### 2D AMENDED

#### 070155

#### Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HOMELESS TRUST TO DEVELOP AND RECOMMEND MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING DISCHARGE POLICIES FOR AGENCIES IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY WHO PROVIDE SERVICES TO OR FOR PERSONS AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASKFORCE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070014]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)
Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Martinez Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Resolution

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Responding to Commissioner Martinez' comments regarding the discharge policy, Mr. David Raymond, Executive Director, Miami-Dade Homeless Trust, explained the discharge policy would assist and provide services to at-risk persons in an effort to prevent homelessness. He pointed out this policy would be for individuals discharged from agencies such as the Florida Department of Corrections, Miami-Dade County jails, 11th Judicial Circuit Courts, Public Health Trust, Florida Department of Children and Families, and other community mental health facilities/centers located throughout the County.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Later in the meeting, Assistant County Attorney McCarty clarified for the record, an amendment to Agenda Items 2A, 2C, 2D, 2F, and 2G to extend the submittal of required reports for an additional 30 days for these items.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to extend the required time to 120 days in lieu of 90 days for the County Manager to submit his written report to the Board of County Commissioners, as recommended by Commissioner Jordan during the discussion of Agenda Item 2A Amended.

(See Agenda Item 2A Amended, Legislative File No. 070153)

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2E

## 070015 Resolution

#### Barbara J. Jordan,

Audrey M. Edmonson, Joe A. Martinez RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER, PROPERTY APPRAISER, AND TAX COLLECTOR TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC CONCERNING THE AMENDMENT TO SECTION 197.252 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES, WHICH DECREASES THE AGE AND INCREASES THE INCOME THRESHOLD REQUIRED FOR ELIGIBILITY TO DEFER PAYMENT OF AD VALOREM AND NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASKFORCE

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Martinez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Diaz

## Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He noted Commissioner Martinez requested that he be added as co-sponsor on the foregoing proposed resolution.

Hearing no objection, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

2F

# 070016 Resolution

#### Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING A COUNTY-FUNDED EMPLOYER ASSISTED HOUSING PILOT PROGRAM FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES AS RECOMMENDED BY COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASK FORCE; REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

Amended

Report:

See Agenda Item 2F Amended, Legislative File No. 070150 for the amended version.

## **2F AMENDED**

#### 070150

## Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING A COUNTY-FUNDED EMPLOYER ASSISTED HOUSING PILOT PROGRAM FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES AS RECOMMENDED BY COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASK FORCE; REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070016]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)
Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0

Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Resolution

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Commissioner Jordan asked that the foregoing proposed resolution be amended to allow an additional 30 days for the submittal of the County Manager's written report.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to extend the required time to 90 days in lieu of 60 days for the County Manager to submit his written report to the Board of County Commissioners, as recommended by Commissioner Jordan during the discussion of Agenda Item 2A Amended.

(See Agenda Item 2A Amended, Legislative File No. 070153)

2G

# 070017 Resolution

Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING INTERVENTION AND MASTER PLAN AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASKFORCE Amended

Report:

See Agenda Item 2G Amended, Legislative File

No. 070157 for the amended version.

#### **2G AMENDED**

070157

#### Resolution

Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING INTERVENTION AND MASTER PLAN AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASKFORCE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070017]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Jordan Seconder: Souto

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

# Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Commissioner Jordan asked that the foregoing proposed resolution be amended to allow an additional 30 days for the submittal of the required County Manager's written report.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to extend the completion of the Comprehensive Housing and Intervention Plan by the County Manager within seven (7) months in lieu of six (6) months, as recommended by Commissioner Jordan.

Assistant County Attorney McCarty clarified the amendment to Agenda Items 2A, 2C, 2D, 2F, and 2G to extend the submittal of the required reports for an additional 30 days for these items.

2H

## 063621 Resolution

Joe A. Martinez

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO UTILIZE THE EXPERTISE OF THE HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY TO CREATE HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR VERY LOW, LOW, AND MODERATE INCOME FAMILIES PILOT PROGRAM TO ASSIST ONE HUNDRED (100) FAMILIES TO ACHIEVE HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES; REQUIRING A REPORT

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Souto

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

The Committee by motion duly made and seconded, proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding Miami-Dade housing Agency's experience with homeownership for the very low income, Ms. Kris Warren, Director, Miami-Dade Housing Agency, explained that low income families and those families below the 80% of the median income would face difficulty in obtaining homeownership, particularly in the Miami-Dade County due to high property taxes and insurance rates. She noted that in order to assist the very low income, case management and subsidies, along with pre and post-counseling services would need to be provided. Ms. Warren stated extensive post-counseling would occur in order to ensure that the families succeed in homeownership.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

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# 070124 Resolution

Dorrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM THAT WOULD ASSIST COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE HOUSING MARKET IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

Amended

Report:

See Agenda Item 2I Amended, Legislative File No.

070149 for the amended version.

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#### 2I AMENDED

# 070149 Resolution

#### Dorrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM THAT WOULD ASSIST COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE HOUSING MARKET IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; REQUIRING A REPORT FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 070124]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Martinez Seconder: Rolle Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He informed the Committee that a scrivener's error existing on page 2 needed to be corrected to read as follows: "...to live..." instead of "...living..."

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as amended.

Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry requested the Committee allow staff to incorporate the requested report outlined in the foregoing proposed resolution to be submitted with the County Manager's report outlined in Agenda Item 2C. She stated this would allow for the submittal of one report to address all similar issues. She also requested that the submittal of the report be extended for an additional 30 days.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended to correct a scrivener's error on page 2 to read as follows: "...to live..." instead of "...living...;" and that the County Manager submit one report that incorporated the requested report outlined in this resolution along with the required report outlined in Agenda Item 2C, within 90 days in lieu of 60 days.

# 3 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

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3A

063065 Ordinance

Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE CREATING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND; CREATING A BOARD OF TRUSTEES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND PURPOSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Withdrawn

Report:

See Agenda Item 3A Substitute, Legislative File

No. 070006.

3A SUB

070006 Ordinance

Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE CREATING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND; CREATING A BOARD OF TRUSTEES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND PURPOSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 063065]

Amended

Report:

See Agenda Item 3A Substitute Amended,

Legislative File No. 070165 for the amended

version.

# 3A SUBSTITUTE AMENDED

## 070165 Ordinance

## Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE CREATING AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND; CREATING A BOARD OF TRUSTEES; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND PURPOSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NOS. 063065 AND 070006]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Souto

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

# Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing and the following persons appeared in connection with the foregoing ordinance:

Ms. Olga Golick, 4175 West 20th Avenue, Hialeah, Florida, representing Citrus Health Network, appeared before the Committee, and spoke in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance. She suggested creating two categories, for 40% of the total affordable housing units in the project as follows: 20% for the extremely low income and 20% for the very low income.

Ms. Maria Roberts, 27700 SW 164th Avenue, representing the Miami-Dade County Commission for Women, appeared before the Committee and spoke in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance. She suggested Section 17-133(1) (b), entitled "Membership," be amended to include a proportional representation of women. Ms. Roberts pointed out that a large number of women needed affordable housing and she reminded the Committee of a resolution (R-536-92) adopted by the County Commission which established gender balance on all County Advisory Boards and Committees.

Ms. Truly Burton, 15225 NW 77th Avenue, Miami Lakes, Florida, representing the Building Association of South Florida, appeared before the Committee and spoke in support of a comprehensive housing master plan. She stated the County must continuously review housing issues in this community. Ms. Burton expressed concern with the proposed ordinance not identifying a funding source for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Hearing no other persons wishing to appear before the Committee on this matter, Chairman

Rolle closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Jordan explained the intent of the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Commissioner Martinez expressed concern that a specific funding source was not designated in this ordinance to be appropriated to the trust fund. He asked that the County Manager be removed from submitting names to the Board of County Commissioners.

Following Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding her support of Ms. Roberts' amendment, Commissioner Jordan stated, as sponsor of this ordinance, that she would support a requirement for gender balance on the Affordable Housing Trust Fund's Board of Trustees.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's comments pertaining to Ms. Golick's suggested amendment, Miami-Dade Housing Agency (MDHA) Director, Ms. Kris Warren, asked the Committee to allow staff to re-evaluate the proposed amendment for further information.

Commissioner Jordan stated she supported the suggestion for a 50/50 split of the 40% for the extremely low income and very low income households, as long as it did not change the percentage for the entire formula.

Following a brief discussion regarding distribution of the 40% for total units in the project, Ms. Warren reiterated her request to the Committee to allow staff to review the percentage and present a recommendation at a later date.

Responding to comments regarding how to fund the trust fund, Assistant County Attorney Terrence Smith provided an overview of Section 17-132 (4), which outlined the funding sources that shall not be deposited into this trust fund. He noted this trust fund would consolidate all of the affordable housing funds into one trust fund with the exception of those funds outlined in Section 17-132 (4).

Commissioner Jordan asked if the foregoing proposed ordinance could be bifurcated to include that Surtax program funds shall not be deposited into this trust fund.

Assistant County Attorney Smith advised the Committee that the foregoing proposed ordinance

could be bifurcated to include that Surtax program funds were not deposited into this trust fund.

Assistant County Attorney Smith clarified the amendment to the foregoing proposed ordinance was to split the 40% for the total affordable units in rental projects as follows: 20% for the extremely low income and 20% for very low income.

Commissioner Jordan reminded the Committee of the MDHA Director's request to review the proposed amendment and comeback with a staff recommendation.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed ordinance with the following amendments:

- (1) to include in Section 17-132(4) that the Surtax program funds shall not be deposited into the Trust established herein.
- (2) to change Section 17-133 (1) which referenced "County Manager," to read "...Chair of the Board of County Commissioners..."

3B

# 063393 Ordinance

#### Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAMS; AMENDING SECTION 29-7, CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA PERTAINING TO DOCUMENTARY SURTAX; AMENDING SECTION 17-102, PERTAINING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AMENDING SECTION 17-103, PERTAINING TO ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AMENDING SECTION 17-105, PERTAINING TO LOCAL HOUSING PARTNERSHIP; AMENDING SECTION 17-106, PERTAINING AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD POWERS AND DUTIES; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Miami-Dade Housing Agency)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Martinez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Sorenson questioned who would determine the transfer of the Documentary Stamp Surtax and State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) programs for single-family homeownership and rehabilitation from the Miami-Dade Housing Agency to the Housing Finance Authority.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry, Ms. Kris Warren, Director, Miami-Dade Housing Agency, informed the Committee that the homeownership and rehabilitation programs would be monitored and monthly reports submitted to the County Commission, including quarterly reports of quality control checks.

Following Chairman Rolle's comments regarding the fiscal impact, Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry advised that staffing changes would occur and that staff was currently in consultation with the Employee Relations Department to facilitate those personnel changes.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented. **Meeting Minutes** 

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3B SUPPL.

063497 Report

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION ON TRANSFER OF DOCUMENTARY SURTAX AND SHIP SINGLE-FAMILY HOMEOWNERSHIP AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS FROM THE MDHA TO HFA Report Received Mover: Jordan Seconder: Martinez Vote: 5-0

Absent: Diaz

3C

063575 Ordinance

Dorrin D. Rolle,

Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO COMMUNITY SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (CSBE) PROGRAM; AMENDING DEFINITION OF CSBE; AMENDING DEFINITION OF CONTRACTING PARTICIPATION LEVEL; INCREASING PERMITTED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE NET WORTH FOR CSBE OWNERS; INCREASING SIZE STANDARDS FOR CSBES; INCREASING CONTRACTING PARTICIPATION LEVELS FOR CSBE PROGRAM; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Amended

Report:

See Agenda Item 3C Amended, Legislative File

No. 070175 for the amended version.

3C AMENDED

070175 Ordinance

Dorrin D. Rolle,

Barbara J. Jordan
ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO COMMUNITY SMALL
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (CSBE) PROGRAM;
AMENDING DEFINITION OF CSBE; AMENDING
DEFINITION OF CONTRACTING PARTICIPATION
LEVEL; INCREASING PERMITTED MAXIMUM
AGGREGATE NET WORTH FOR CSBE OWNERS;
INCREASING SIZE STANDARDS FOR CSBES;
INCREASING CONTRACTING PARTICIPATION LEVELS
FOR CSBE PROGRAM; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY,
INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE
[SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 063575]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)
Mover: Rolle
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle relinquished the Chair to Vice Chairwoman Jordan.

Vice Chairwoman Jordan opened the public hearing and the following persons appeared in connection with the foregoing ordinance:

Ms. Marsha Jackman, Director, Department of Business Development, provided an overview of the intent of the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Mr. Ronald Frazier, Chairman of the Community Small Business Enterprise (CSBE) Board, appeared before the Committee in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance. He informed the Committee that CSBE faced obstacles such as the availability of County projects to accommodate the various levels in the CSBE Program. Mr. Frazier stated the CSBE Board wanted to ensure that the County departments understood the importance of this program to this community and that the CSBE Program should be a part of the Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond (GOB) Program.

Mr. William Derrer, 5010 Quayside Terrace, CSBE Board member, appeared before the Committee and offered the following amendments to the foregoing ordinance: (1) to change the average gross revenues to \$6,000,000 for Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) 16—Heavy Construction and other than Building Construction; and (2) to change the average gross revenues to \$5,000,000 for SIC 17—Specialty Trade Contractors. He also informed the

Committee of the CSBE Board's proposed amendment to remove language that restricted Level II certified CSBEs participation on specialty trade contract set aside for contract work estimated above \$50,000. He noted these suggested changes would increase the number of CSBEs available to participate in the program and urged the Committee to support them.

Ms. Eloise Gonzalez, 2500 NW 39th Street, Miami, Florida, representing American Interior Contractors (certified CSBE), appeared before the Committee in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance. She noted her participation in the CSBE program over the past 12 years.

Hearing no other persons wishing to appear before the Committee, Vice Chairwoman Jordan closed the public hearing.

Mr. Roger Hernstadt, Director, Office of Capital Improvements, informed the Committee that the CSBE Program was a part of the GOB program and would continue to be. He noted the County used certified CSBEs on various County capital improvement projects.

Ms. Marsha Jackman clarified the proposed amendments to the foregoing proposed ordinance as follows:

(1) to change the average gross revenues to \$6,000,000 instead of \$5,000,000 for Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) 16 – Heavy Construction and other than Building Construction, and (2) to change the average gross revenues to \$5,000,000 instead of \$2,500,000 for SIC 17 – Specialty Trade Contractors.

Ms. Jackman requested the Committee allow staff to present at a later date the proposed change to remove the language that restricted Level II certified CSBEs participation on specialty trade contract set aside for contract work estimated above \$50,000.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed ordinance as amended to change the definition for Community Small Business Enterprise (CSBE) average gross revenues to \$6,000,000 for Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) 16 – Heavy Construction and other than Building Construction; and the average gross revenues to \$5,000,000 for SIC 17 –

Specialty Trade Contractors.

Commissioner Jordan asked to be listed as a cosponsor on the foregoing proposed ordinance.

3D

## 062384 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO HOME DEPOT USA, INC., A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Martinez
Seconder: Rolle
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

3E

# 062386 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO BRAMAN CADILLAC (PAINT SHOP), A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation Mover: Martinez Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0

Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

3F

## 062388 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO CIGARETTE RACING TEAM, LLC, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

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# 062389 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO R.K.M.R., INC., D/B/A HIGH TECH ELECTRONICS, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Souto
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

3H

## 062390 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO LEASA INDUSTRIES CO., INC., AN EXPANDED BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Martinez Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

## Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

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## 062391 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO WORLD WIDE CONCESSIONS BAYSIDE D/B/A CHILI'S AT BAYSIDE, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Souto Seconder: Sorenson Vote: 5-0

vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

# Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

3J

## 062392 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO CARL'S FURNITURE, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Martinez Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

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### 062393 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO CLINTON HOTEL INVESTORS, LLC, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Martinez Seconder: Rolle Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

3L

# 062394 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO CL-1, LLC D/B/A BIG WASH, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Souto Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

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# 062396 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO PUBLIX SUPERMARKETS, INC., A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Martinez Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

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## 063410 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO TRINITY AIR CONDITIONING, LLC, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Martinez Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

## Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

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### 063411 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO FORTUNE STONE, INC., A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

3P

## 063424 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO TOWN CENTER 0-L1, LLC, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Martinez Vote: 5-0

Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

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# 063425 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO UNITED PARCEL SERVICE, INC., A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Rolle Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

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## 063467 Ordinance

ORDINANCE GRANTING ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION TO DDR MIAMI AVENUE LLC, A NEW BUSINESS LOCATED IN THE ENTERPRISE ZONE; PROVIDING SCOPE AND TERMS OF EXEMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan Seconder: Martinez

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

## Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.

Chairman Rolle opened the public hearing on the foregoing ordinance. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry introduced Mr. Jose Cintron as the new director for the Office of Community and Economic Development.

Chairman Rolle welcomed Mr. Cintron and wished him well in serving as the director of OCED.

Mr. Cintron stated it was a pleasure to join Miami-Dade County and he welcomed the opportunity to address community and economic development in this community.

## 4 DEPARTMENTS

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# 063498 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING FORM OF AN AGREEMENT OF PURCHASE AND SALE FOR ACQUISITION OF A PARKING GARAGE CONSISTING OF 1,583 PARKING SPACES CONSTRUCTED ON MIAMI-DADE EMPOWERMENT TRUST PROPERTY KNOWN AS POINCIANA INDUSTRIAL CENTER LOCATED AT THEORETICAL NW 24TH AVENUE AND NW 75TH STREET, MIAMI FLORIDA FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$23,542,114; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE, FINALIZE AND EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE ACQUISITION AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD AND TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED IN SUCH AGREEMENT (General Services Administration Department) Withdrawn

Report: See Agenda Item 4A Substitute, Legislative File

No. 070126.

#### **4A SUBSTITUTE**

## 070126 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT OF PURCHASE AND SALE FOR ACQUISITION OF A PARKING GARAGE CONSISTING OF 1,583 PARKING SPACES CONSTRUCTED ON COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY KNOWN AS POINCIANA INDUSTRIAL CENTER LOCATED AT THEORETICAL NW 24TH AVENUE AND NW 75TH STREET, MIAMI FLORIDA FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$23,542,114, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE ACQUISITION AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 063498] (General Services Administration Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation Mover: Rolle Seconder: Jordan Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He noted this was an add-on item to today's Committee agenda.

Mr. Dennis Stackhouse, 780 Fisherman Street, Opa-locka, Florida, Town Center Properties, appeared before the Committee, and provided an overview of the Poinciana Biopharmaceutical Park, which was located at the Poinciana Industrial Center. He informed the Committee of the Poinciana Partners' proposed comprehensive development project which consisted of a planned industrial, commercial and residential community located within a designated Empowerment Zone in the Liberty City area of Miami-Dade County. Mr. Stackhouse noted this project would be developed in three phases.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry regarding an unsolicited proposal, Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry stated the Office of Capital Improvements received this proposal as a part of a Request for Information (RFI) submittal process. She noted this proposal was also a part of the Empowerment Trust portfolio to develop Poinciana Industrial Park for the last five to six years.

Commissioner Sorenson questioned the guarantees in place to protect the County's interest.

Assistant County Manager Roger Carlton noted a number of guarantees were in place, including a

personal guarantee from Mr. Stackhouse, that approximately \$1.5 million would be retained by the County from the purchase of the parking garage to ensure the completion of the project.

Mr. Leland Salomon, Asset Management and Development Specialist, General Services Administration, provided an overview of the buildout for the parking garage and the future rental leases for properties forthcoming from this project.

Discussion ensued among Committee members, staff and Mr. Stackhouse regarding the recommendation that the County acquire the parking garage for the Poinciana Biopharmaceutical Park project.

Chairman Rolle explained the intent of the foregoing proposed resolution. He noted the collaboration among various groups and entities that would make this area viable for Miami-Dade County.

The Committee by motion duly made, seconded and carried, proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution.

Commissioner Sorenson expressed her concern with this project and indicated she would meet with staff to obtain additional assurances for herself as it pertained to this project.

Chairman Rolle acknowledged the concerns raised by Committee members and suggested staff should meet with his colleagues to address their concerns. He expressed appreciation to all parties involved for their efforts in this project.

**4B** 

# 070022 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING FORM OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE HOUSING AGENCY AND THE HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY; APPROVING RETROACTIVELY ITS EXECUTION; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE AMENDMENT, MODIFICATION, RENEWAL, CANCELLATION AND TERMINATION CLAUSES OF SUCH MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (Miami-Dade Housing Agency)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation Mover: Martinez Seconder: Sorenson Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

## Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Responding to Commissioner Martinez' inquiry regarding the Housing Finance Authority (HFA) usage of Surtax and State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds, Ms. Kris Warren, Director, Miami-Dade Housing Agency (MDHA), informed the Committee that the single-family homeownership and rehabilitation programs were being transferred from MDHA to HFA to be administered by them.

4C

## 070023 Resolution

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S **ACTION IN APPLYING FOR COMMUNITY** WORKFORCE HOUSING INNOVATION PILOT (CWHIP) PROGRAM LOAN FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION (FHFC): AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO RECEIVE. EXPEND AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS AS ARE REQUIRED, AND TO FILE AND EXECUTE NECESSARY AMENDMENTS TO THE APPLICATION; RATIFYING, APPROVING AND CONFIRMING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S ACTION TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI AND WAGNER SQUARE I, LLC ESTABLISHING THE MIAMI-DADE WAGNER SQUARE CWHIP PARTNERSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR, RECEIVING, AND EXPENDING FORGIVEABLE CWHIP PROGRAM LOAN FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO EXECUTE REQUIRED CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, MOUS, RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS, LOAN AGREEMENTS, AND AMENDMENTS, AFTER APPROVAL BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY, AS REQUIRED BY THE CWHIP PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE AND EXPEND ANY ADDITIONAL CWHIP FUNDS THAT MAY BECOME AVAILABLE

(Miami-Dade Housing Agency)

# Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Ms. Kris Warren, Director, Miami-Dade Housing Agency (MDHA), provided an overview of the foregoing proposed resolution.

Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry informed the Committee that the Florida Legislature House Bill 1363 created the Community Workforce Housing Innovation Pilot (CWHIP) Program. She pointed out the CWHIP Program was created to provide affordable rental and homeownership workforce housing, which would promote local public-private partnerships to leverage government and private resources.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Diaz

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# 070046 Resolution

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00117 BE APPROVED AS A QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY BUSINESS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES S-288.106, CONFIRMING THAT THE COMMITMENTS OF LOCAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NECESSARY FOR CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00117 EXIST; AND PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION OF UP TO \$90,000 FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS AS LOCAL PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY TAX REFUND PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 OR OVER A TIME PERIOD AS DETERMINED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN ITS APPROVAL OF CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00117 APPLICATION WITH THE PROVISO THAT ANY TAX ABATEMENT **GRANTED TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00117** UNDER FLORIDA STATUTE 196.1995 REDUCES ANY QUALIFIED TARGET INDUSTRY TAX REFUND TO CONFIDENTIAL PROJECT #07-00117 BY THE AMOUNT OF ANY SUCH TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED. IN COMPLIANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 288.106(5)9(C); AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Sorenson Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

The Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Commissioner Jordan asked that Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry request the Beacon Council to utilize recruitment companies within the respective Commission districts of the Qualified Target Industry (OTI) Tax Refund businesses for the jobs to be created as a part of this OTI Project (Confidential Project #07-00117). In addition, Commissioner Jordan stated she would forward the names of businesses located in Commission District 1 to the Beacon Council to use for recruitment purposes.

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## 070020 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION OF THE DEVELOPMENT DEADLINES FOR THE BAHAMIAN VILLAGE PROJECT FROM DECEMBER 2006 WITH COMPLETION IN DECEMBER 2007, TO AUGUST 2007 WITH COMPLETION IN AUGUST 2008 (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Diaz

# Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Ms. Leola Cooper, 200 Washington Drive, Coral Gables, Florida, appeared before the Committee and urged the Committee to support the extension of the development deadlines for the Bahamian Village Project. She explained the various factors that contributed to the delay of the proposed development project.

Commissioner Martinez expressed concern with the change in the usage of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from mixed-use to retail use.

Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, provided an overview of the foregoing proposed resolution. He noted this resolution would authorize an extension of time and change the scope of the project.

Commissioner Martinez asked that any further changes to the foregoing proposed resolution without the written approval from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (USHUD) be presented at the January 25th BCC meeting. In addition, he asked for assurances that an anchored tenant such as Publix would guarantee a certain number of jobs.

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# 070021 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE OF PROJECT SCOPE AND EXTENSION OF THE DEVELOPMENT DEADLINES FOR THE BAHAMIAN VILLAGE PROJECT FROM AUGUST 2007 WITH COMPLETION IN AUGUST 2008, TO AUGUST 2007 WITH COMPLETION IN DECEMBER 2009 (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Sorenson Seconder: Rolle Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Responding to Commissioner Jordan's comments regarding the completion dates for the Bahamian Village Project, Ms. Deborah Sinkle Kolsky, President, Redevco Grand, LLP, appeared before the Committee and advised that the dates outlined in the foregoing proposed resolution were accurate.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

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## 070013 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-07 FOR SOUTH MIAMI COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Office of Strategic Business Management)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

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# 070018 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-07 FOR HOMESTEAD COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (Office of Strategic Business Management)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable

recommendation Mover: Jordan Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

# **5 COUNTY MANAGER**

5A

# 070061 Report

REPORT ON THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING (County Manager)

Deferred to next committee meeting Mover: Rolle Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

#### Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing report into the record.

Senior Advisor Cynthia Curry informed the Committee that this report addressed the viability of utilizing General Funds and Documentary Surtax (Surtax) as a funding source to pay the bonds issued and to alleviate the affordable housing crisis and voucher program.

Ms. Rachel Baum, Director, Miami-Dade Finance Department, provided a brief overview of the foregoing report. She noted one issue regarding the use of Surtax funding that restricted its use for construction and rehabilitation as rent subsidy or grants.

Chairman Rolle moved that the Committee defer the foregoing report until he and Ms. Curry meet with Ms. Baum and the Miami-Dade Housing Agency Director Ms. Kris Warren, to review this report further. In addition, he noted he would give direction as to what he would like to present in his proposal.

Following comments by Assistant County Attorney McCarty's regarding the loss of a quorum, the motion made by Chairman Rolle died due to the lack of a quorum.

Commissioner Jordan recommended the County Attorney's Office be included in the meeting to be scheduled with Chairman Rolle.

Later in the meeting, upon a quorum being present, the Committee resumed its consideration of the foregoing report.

Assistant County Attorney McCarty stated for the record, that the foregoing report would be deferred to the February 13, 2007 Committee meeting.

Hearing no objection, the Committee voted on the deferral of the foregoing report.

# 6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

6A

070123 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR:

**DECEMBER 12, 2006** 

Approved
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Rolle
Vote: 4-0

Absent: Diaz, Martinez

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the

foregoing report into the record.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as presented.

# 7 REPORTS

7A

070019 Report

REPORT ON FINDING OF NECESSITY STUDY FOR SOUTH MIAMI HEIGHTS AREA (County Manager)

Report Received Mover: Sorenson Seconder: Souto Vote: 5-0 Absent: Diaz

Report:

Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing report into the record.

Mr. Mike Iturrey, Office of Strategic Business Management, appeared before the Committee and informed the Committee that the foregoing report provided the Finding of Necessity study which concluded there was not sufficient evidence to declare an area within the South Miami Heights neighborhood as a Community Redevelopment Area.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as presented. **Meeting Minutes** 

# **8 OPEN DISCUSSION**

Report: Chairman Rolle asked Senior Advisor Cynthia

Curry and the Miami-Dade Housing Agency Director to provide a report that addressed affordable/public housing in the Sugar Hill area in

the same manner as the HOPE VI Project.

# 9 ADJOURNMENT

**Report:** There being no further business to come before the

Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.